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The captioned application was deposited with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on December 20, 2001, for purposes of obtaining a filing date, the application papers thereof omitting the oath. Herewith please find that document submitted in compliance with the provision of 37 CFR § 1.63 along with a copy of Form PTO-1533, Notice To File Missing Parts of Application - Filing Date Granted. Please charge the surcharge of \$130.00 to Deposit Account No. 11-0875. A duplicate copy of this page is enclosed for accounting purposes.

Respectfully submitted,

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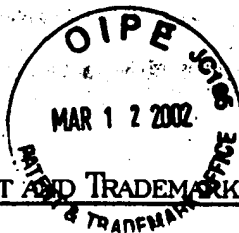
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## NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

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## Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is missing.  
*A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.*
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(l) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 130.

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 because:
  - drawing sheets do not have the appropriate margin(s) (see 37 CFR 1.84(g)). Each sheet must include a top margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a left side margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a right side margin of at least 1.5 cm. (5/8 inch), and a bottom margin of at least 1.0 cm. (3/8 inch);

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